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Questions about Fair Housing Discrimination or to file a complaint, please contact:

Local Housing Laws

City of West Allis Fair Housing Board, Community Development Authority

7525 W. Greenfield Ave, Room 242 West Allis, WI 53214 1 (414) 302-8430

Web Site: www.ci.west-allis.wi.us

State Housing Laws

WI Department of Consumer Protection, Equal Rights Division

201 E. Washington Ave, Room A300 PO Box 8928 Madison, WI 53708 1 (608) 266-6860 TTY 1 (608) 264-8752

819 N. 6 St, Room 255 Milwaukee, WI 53203 1 (414) 227-4384 TTY 1 (414) 2274081

Web Site: http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/er/

Federal Housing Laws

US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

77 West Jackson Blvd, Room 2101 Chicago, IL 60604-3507

1 (800) 765-9372 TTY 1 (800) 927-9275

To file electronically: www.hud.gov





Fair Housing Equal Opportunity for All



The Fair Housing Ordinance Section 6.035 of the West Allis Revised Municipal Code protects the rights of people in the rental or purchase of housing by prohibiting discrimination against a person in housing, even in part, because of that person's protected class.

Some examples of housing discrimination include:

- Refusing to rent or negotiate with someone for the rental or sale of a dwelling.
- Failing to renew a lease or lying about the availability of a dwelling.
- Appling different terms or rental conditions.
- Providing different rental privileges or services.
- Not allowing a person with a disability to make reasonable modifications to the unit.
- Applying different rental or mortgage application standards or fees.
- Harassing or interfering with a person's quiet enjoyment of a dwelling.
- Steering persons to certain units within an apartment complex or homes in a neighborhood.





There are some circumstances that are exempt or excluded from being defined as housing discrimination.

Such as:

- Housing primarily intended and operated for older persons may be restricted to persons over a certain age.
- Development of housing specifically designed for and with preference in favor of persons with disabilities.
- Housing may be denied to a person who poses a direct threat to the safety of others or whose tenancy would result in substantial physical damage to property, provided the risk can't be sufficiently reduced by a reasonable accommodation.
- A large family that has many people in the household may be denied if a reasonable government requirement limits the number of occupants for the dwelling unit.

Filing a Housing Discrimination Complaint in the City of West Allis

A person alleging discrimination that takes place within the City of West Allis may file a complaint within **180 days** of the alleged discriminatory action with the West Allis Fair Housing Board.

Complaints must be in writing and notarized on a specified form that is available through the Community Development Housing Division at the West Allis City Hall.

The West Allis Fair Housing Board evaluates, investigates, and determines the best course of action to resolve the alleged discriminatory action as outlined in the West Allis Fair Housing Ordinance Section 6.035 of the West Allis Revised Municipal Code.

(Copies of the Ordinance are available upon request from the Community Development Authority, Housing Division)

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Housing Discrimination Complaints can be filed through three levels of government:

- Local City of West Allis Fair Housing Board
- State WI Department of Consumer Protection, Equal Rights Division
- Federal US Department of Housing and Urban Development